UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

- against - : 21-CR-355 (RMB)

ROBERT BALDUCCI, : DECISION & ORDER

Defendant.

The application, submitted by defense counsel Lorraine Gauli-Rufo, dated November 13, 2024 (ECF No. 88), is respectfully denied. *See* Supervised Release Hearing Transcript, dated October 31, 2024; *see also* the Court's Order, dated November 4, 2024.

The October 31, 2024 hearing included, among other things, a helpful discussion of inperson therapy versus tele-therapy in Mr. Balducci's particular case. Tele-therapy can be a valuable tool in appropriate circumstances.

We can re-visit the issue of tele-therapy and in-person therapy in six months (May 15, 2025) if Mr. Balducci meets all of his supervised release conditions (including no new arrests) during that time.

Date: November 15, 2024 New York, New York

RICHARD M. BERMAN, U.S.D.J.

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